based in East Lansing. Congratulations to my dear friend, David Hollister, on receiving this special distinction from the city of Lansing. It is my hope that the newly renamed city hall will serve as a lasting testament to your brand of public service to the people of the city of Lansing and the great State of Michigan.

### TRIBUTE TO TAYLIN ALBRECHT

• Mr. ROUNDS. Mr. President, today I recognize Taylin Albrecht, an intern in my Washington, DC, office, for all the hard work she has done for me, my staff, and the State of South Dakota.

Taylin is a graduate of DeSmet High School in DeSmet, SD. Currently, she is attending South Dakota State University in Brookings, SD, she studies human development and family studies. Taylin is a dedicated and diligent worker who has been devoted to getting the most out of her internship experience and who has been a true asset to the office.

I extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to Taylin for all of the fine work she has done and wish her continued success in the years to come. ●

### TRIBUTE TO GERALD FRAAS

• Mr. ROUNDS. Mr. President, today I recognize Gerald Fraas, an intern in my Washington, DC, office, for all the hard work he has done for me, my staff, and the State of South Dakota.

Gerald is a graduate of West Central High School in Hartford, SD. Currently, he is attending the University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa, AL, where he studies political science and economics. Gerald is a dedicated and diligent worker who has been devoted to getting the most out of his internship experience and who has been a true asset to the office.

I extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to Gerald for all of the fine work he has done and wish him continued success in the years to come. ●

### TRIBUTE TO MATTHEW KRALL

• Mr. ROUNDS. Mr. President, today I recognize Matthew Krall, an intern in my Washington, DC, office, for all the hard work he has done for me, my staff, and the State of South Dakota.

Matthew is a graduate of Mitchell High School in Mitchell, SD. Currently, he is attending Dakota Wesleyan University in Mitchell, SD, where he studies history and political science. Matthew is a dedicated and diligent worker who has been devoted to getting the most out of his internship experience and who has been a true asset to the office.

I extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to Matthew for all of the fine work he has done and wish him continued success in the years to come.

## MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bill was read the second time, and placed on the calendar:

H.R. 3219. An act making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2018, and for other purposes.

# EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-2443. A communication from the Director, Administrative Office of the United States Courts, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to compliance by the United States courts of appeals and district courts with the time limitations established for deciding habeas corpus death penalty petitions; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-2444. A communication from the Federal Liaison Officer, Patent and Trademark Office, Department of Commerce, transmiting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Miscellaneous Changes to Trademark Trial and Appeal Board Rules of Practice; Clarification" (RIN0651-AD22) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 21, 2017; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-2445. A communication from the Acting Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "The Residential Substance Abuse Treatment (RSAT) Study"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-2446. A communication from the Acting Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Uniformed Services Employment and Remployment Rights Act of 1994 (USERRA) Quarterly Report to Congress; Third Quarter of Fiscal Year 2017"; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-2447. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "2017 Annual Report: The U.S. Department of Transportation's (DOT) Status of Actions Addressing the Safety Issue Areas on the National Transportation Safety Board's (NTSB) Most Wanted List"; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2448. A communication from the Deputy Bureau Chief, Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Procedures for Commission Review of State Opt-Out Requests from the FirstNet Radio Access Network" ((PS Docket No. 16-269) (FCC 17-75)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 21, 2017; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2449. A communication from the Deputy Chief, Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Structure and Practices of the Video Relay Service Program; and Telecommunications Relay Services and Speech-to-Speech Services for Individuals with Hearing and Speech Disabilities" ((CG Docket No. 10–51 and CG Docket No. 03–123) (FCC 17–86)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 21, 2017; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2450. A communication from the Chief of Staff, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Video Description: Implementation of the Twenty-First Century Communications and Video Accessibility Act of 2010" ((MB Docket No. 11-43) (FCC 17-88)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 21, 2017; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2451. A communication from the Chief of Staff, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Video Description: Implementation of the Twenty-First Century Communications and Video Accessibility Act of 2010" ((MB Docket No. 11-43) (FCC 17-88)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 21, 2017; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2452. A communication from the Acting Chairman of the Office of Proceedings, Surface Transportation Board, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Publication Requirements for Agricultural Products; and Rail Transportation of Grain, Rate Regulation Review" (RIN2140-AB35 and RIN2140-AB16) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 21, 2017; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2453. A communication from the Deputy Chief of the Cybersecurity and Communications Reliability Division, Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Parts 0, 1, 2, 15 and 18 of the Commission's Rules regarding Authorization of Radiofrequency Equipment" ((FCC 17-93) (ET Docket No. 15-170)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 28, 2017; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

### PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petition or memorial was laid before the Senate and was referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-78. A joint resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of Alaska making application to the United States Congress to call a convention of the state to propose a countermand amendment to the United States Constitution as provided under Article V; and urging the legislatures of the other 49 states to make the same application; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

### House Joint Resolution No. 14

Whereas the state's sovereignty has been infringed upon by the federal government, including by the federal government's recent denial of and refusal to work with state officials on the construction of a lifesaving road from King Cove to Cold Bay; and

Whereas the state's access to a fair permitting process for projects that will develop the state's natural resources and provide revenue streams to the state, including oil exploration in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge and large-scale mining projects throughout the state, has been continually denied by the United States Environmental Protection Agency and other agencies of the federal government; and

Whereas the United States Congress has, at times, exceeded its delegated powers, the President of the United States has, at times,